

Panthers Arrested In Police Killings

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NEW YORK (AP) — Two Black Panthers arrested in a mass holdup at a black social club were held without bail Sunday after police connected them to the May 19 machine-gunning of two patrolmen. A prosecutor said facts in the case related also to the May 21 murder of two other officers.

The two men, Richard Moore, 25, and Edward Josephs, 19, had been missing since last February when they jumped bail as defendants in the Black Panther bomb-conspiracy case here. Moore was one of 13 Panthers on trial at the time, and since found innocent. Josephs was declared a youthful offender and his case had been severed.

Authorities said a submachine gun used in the holdup of the social club in the Bronx had been "positively identified" as the one used to riddle two patrolmen who stopped a car for a traffic violation on May 19. They are recovering from their wounds.

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Moore, Josephs and two other young blacks were not identified as Panthers were arrested about 5 a.m. Saturday when police, alerted by a passerby, interrupted the holdup of 20 social club patrons who had been forced to strip and put their valuables on a pool table.

The submachine gun was part of a small arsenal of weapons seized after the capture of the bandits by 39 policemen who surrounded the Bronx club. The bandits unsuccessfully tried to escape by partially stripping themselves and mingling with their victims, who later pointed them out to the officers.

Police Commissioner Patrick V. Murphy issued a statement saying that Moore and Josephs had been connected with the wounding of the two policemen, but he would not expand on the statement.